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On April 21, in long speech at 15th anniversary celebration establishing DDR, Ulbricht dealt with subject peace treaty with Germany including demilitarized free city West Berlin. Besides reporting standard policies such as those used in recent Yugoslav articles on Adenauer-Germany relations (part of which carried Moscow Interfax and April 20), Ulbricht gave figure of approximately one billion DM yearly as economic cost to East Germany resulting from refugee flow, sabotage, and other activities against DDR allegedly emanating from West Berlin. Most important passages of Ulbricht speech re Berlin and Berlin question were followings:

"There is no war in Germany—apart from small stratum of heavily indoctrinated militarists and Nazis—who would not benefit from peace treaty with both German states. Peace treaty would ensure peace for German people and make possible restoration normal relations between two German states. To extent to which influences of militaristic and Nazi forces are reduced, preconditions for reunification of Germany by way of confederation of both German states would develop. Requirements of war in West Berlin, occupation statute, and above all existence of provocation would be removed. West Berlin would be able to develop its relations with other states according to its own wish. Communi-cation over territory and in air space of DDR would be regulated and assured through several agreements with the GDR made by free neutral city of West Berlin and by other states interested in transit traffic through DDR..."

"West German militarists and imperialists are interested in preventing conclusion of peace treaty in order to be able to exploit remnants of Second World War for their warlike plans. No one should believe, however, that German people would be able to wait for conclusion of peace treaty until West German Foreign Policy has carried out its atomic weapons. That would bring German nation into mortal danger."

"With help of peace treaty, West Berlin question also would be solved in peaceful manner. Both government and West Berlin Army, under protection of occupation statute and of Americans, English and French troops, would be withdrawn from Berlin in all phases, including clearly civilian areas."

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a policy of disrupting GDR and states of socialist camp. This policy—ranging from organized sabotage to organized trade in human beings—wrote population of GDR annually approximately one million marks. We do not have intention tolerate indefinitely such stealing from people GDR through sabotage, trade in human beings, currency manipulation, black market articles, etc. We demand that, with help of peace treaty, several peaceful conditions and normal relations be established.

"We are interested in keeping open lines of communication and transportation. It is our legitimate right, however, to demand that through continuation of peace treaty and resultant transformation of West Berlin into demilitarized free city, sweep of corruption and of cold war in West Berlin finally be dissolved. We cannot and will not tolerate that, from disruption under West Berlin, corruption of our citizens, their systematic recruitment and their commitment to violation of law less be carried out in an organized manner. Let all those who this concern take note of this with all seriousness...."

Speech read for Prime Minister Grotewohl at anniversary meeting by West Berlin Mayor Ebert ended as follows: "Responsibility of our party is not restricted to territorial limits of GDR. We are Socialist Unity Party of Germany." Our flag will some day in future fly over a "friendly, united, peaceful, happy and socialist all-Germany."

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